

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Joe Courtney and Senators Joe Lieberman and Richard Blumenthal today announced that Groton-based Electric Boat (EB) has secured a \$191,312,737 contract from the U.S. Navy. The contract is for continued engineering, technical services, concept studies and design of a common missile compartment for the United Kingdom Successor SSBN and the Ohio replacement SSBN.

“Research and design work on the Ohio class replacement have a strong economic impact across our region,” **said Congressman Courtney**. “Last year EB acquired the old Pfizer building to accommodate a growing engineering force that is working on the next generation of submarine. Today, the Navy gave another vote of confidence to the program and the talented men and women of Electric Boat who routinely build submarines under budget and ahead of schedule.”

“It is very good news that Electric Boat is receiving funding to develop components for future ballistic missile submarines,” **Lieberman said**. “These vessels will eventually form the backbone of our nation’s strategic deterrent, and the Navy’s investment is a testament to Electric Boat’s continued excellence in shipbuilding and the skill of its workers.”

“This major funding assures that Electric Boat will lead the nation in building our next generation of nuclear-deterrent submarines - a significant recognition of their outstanding capability and contribution,” **said Senator Blumenthal**. “Electric Boat’s workers are delivering submarines ahead of time and under budget, which is why this program continues to receive strong support in the most recently enacted defense authorization bill. Designing the Ohio-class replacement submarines is a task of supreme importance to our national security and economic security.”

This work will engage Electric Boat’s engineering and design organization, which is supported by more than 3,000 employees. According to the Navy, 93 percent of the work will be performed in Groton; the remainder is split between Quonset, RI, Newport News, VA, and Newport, RI.

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